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## Amendments To The Claims:

- (Currently amended) A trailer hitch assembly for a motorcycle comprising:
  - a) an elongated first side member which removably attaches to one side of the rear frame of the motorcycle, the first side member continuing in a first concave-down configuration between a first forward end and a first rearward end, such that the first rearward end terminates at a first line of downward extension;
  - b) a second side member which removably attaches to the opposite side of the rear frame, the second side member continuing in a second concave-down configuration between a second forward end and a second rearward end, such that the second rearward end terminates at a second line of downward extension;
  - a cross member connecting the first and second side members at the rear end of the first and second sides, the cross-member touching the first line of downward extension and the second line of downward extension,
  - the first side member, second side member, and cross member being constructed and arranged for concealment when installed inside a motorcycle fender; and
  - d.) a hitch assembly attached to the cross member for removable connection with and towing of a trailer.
- (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the
  cross member further comprises means for removably attaching the hitch assembly to the
  cross-member.
- 3. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of Claim 1, further comprising fixed and rigid means for leveling a trailer when the trailer is coupled with the motorcycle using the trailer hitch assembly.
- 4. (Previously presented) The assembly of Claim 1, the first and second side members being constructed in predetermined dimensions capable of being concealed inside a fender of the motorcycle.
- (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of Claim 1, the first and second side

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members being constructed in predetermined dimensions capable of being concealed inside a fender of the motorcycle.

- 6. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of Claim 1 where the hitch assembly comprises a ball hitch.
- 7. (Previously presented) An extension piece assembly for coupling a ball hitch on a motorcycle to a trailer tongue on a trailer frame to keep the trailer tongue relatively horizontal comprising:

a motorcycle equipped with a ball hitch;

a square channel extension piece including a middle segment connecting a front attachment and a rear attachment;

the front attachment fastened to a ball socket mechanism for coupling with the ball hitch on the motorcycle; and

a trailer presenting a trailer tongue

the rear attachment operably configured for detachable coupling with the trailer tongue; where the middle segment descends at an acute angle relative to horizontal between the front attachment and the rear attachment for a sufficient distance to position the trailer tongue level with the ground when the front attachment is coupled with the ball hitch and the rear attachment is coupled with the trailer tongue.

- 8. (Previously presented) The extension piece assembly of claim 7, wherein the front attachment contains an opening for receipt of a pin that permits selective removal and reattachment of the ball socket mechanism.
- 9. (Previously presented) The extension piece assembly of claim 8, wherein the rear attachment contains an aperture for receipt of a pin that permits selective removal and reattachment of the rear attachment with the trailer tongue.
- 10. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of claim 1, wherein the cross-member comprises a square channel receiver affixed to the cross-member configured for selective removal of the hitch assembly.
- 11. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of claim 10, wherein the square

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channel receiver descends no lower than does the cross-member.

- 12. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of Claim 11, wherein the crossmember and the square channel receiver each descend no lower than the first line of downward extension and the second line of downward extension.
- 13. (Previously presented) The trailer hitch assembly of Claim 10, wherein the hitch assembly comprises a channel-borne ball hitch assembly received in the square channel receiver and detachably pinned thereto.